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Senator Paul Douglas (D., Ill.) told me that Sen. Mansfield had asked him to co-sponsor S. Con. Res. 2, but that the Senator had declined to do so because he felt that CIA was "too hot". By this he meant that he himself never wanted to receive any classified information and that the classified information available to CIA was not the type of material which should be looked into by Congressional committees. He seemed satisfied that the Armed Services Committee was keeping the necessary eye on CIA. Senator Douglas also expressed the greatest admiration for Gen. Smith and Mr. Dulles, in whom he had the greatest confidence.

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